

- 7. The semiconductor laser device according to claim 3, wherein the coefficient of light confinement to the active layer ranges from 1% to 2%.
- 8. The semiconductor laser device according to claim 4, wherein the coefficient of light confinement to the active layer ranges from 1% to 2%.

## REMARKS

The present amendment removes all multiple dependent claims without changing the scope of coverage.

Respectfully submitted,

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